METHODISTS MAY DANCE

Conservative Views Wedging Into Old Church Discipline.

Young People Driven Away From Religious Doctrine Because of its Radicalism-A Disposition to Grant That Lively Amusement Is Not Synonymous With a Wicked Heart.

NEW YORK, April 12 .- It is more than a mere coincidence that three of the most influential of the Eastern conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church have recently adopted memorials to the General Conference requesting the elimination from the Book of Discipline of the present inhibition against dancing, card playing, and

This action is part of a concerted movement on the part of the younger and more liberal element of the church.

Similar resolutions will be passed by other district conferences throughout the country, and some of the best-in o.med clergymen in the denomination believe this radical change will be adopted by a large vote by the General Conference, which meets next month in Chicago.

The pastor of one of the largest Methodist churches in Manhattan said yesterday: "This clause in the Discipline is practically a dead letter. So far as I know nobody in the Methodist Church has been disciplined for years, either for dancing or for attending the theatre."

The Rev. Ezra S. Tipple, pastor of St. James' Church, Madison Avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street, who introduced the resolution in the New York Conference Tuesday, said yesterday: "The proposed change, if adopted, will crase from paragraph 24s of the Discipline the words 'dancing, playing at games of chance, attending theatres, horse races, circuses, dancing, parties, or patroligher. cuses, dancing parties, or patronizing dancing schools.

"This would not in any way weaken the position of the Methodist Church," Dr. Tipple said, "toward questionable amusements, but would rather strengthen it. The appeal is to the individual conscience and to the Word of Code in the control of the control of the control of the code in and to the Word of God. It does not in dicate a tendency to conform to the world."
"Do you believe that dancing is sinfulnot dancing of the Haymarket kind, but

dancing, for instance, with one's own friends and in one's own home?"
"It is not sinful per se. It depends upon the surroundings, the circumstances, the influences attending it.

The Rev. Dr. George P. Mains, formerly of Brooklyn, and now connected with the Methodist Book Concern, at No. 150 Fifth Avenue, urges the repeal of the objectionable clause in a long article in the Methodist Review.

"I believe," said Dr. Mains, "that this section of our Discipline, which was in-serted by the General Conference of 1872. presenting to the Church an authoritative ndex expurgatorius of amusements, was a most grave blunder of ecclesiastical leg-leiation. I believe that the effect of this distinctive enactment has been to dam-age and belittle the incluence of our denomination. I have often had the feeling that in much of our Church teaching the mistake has been made of taking narrow views of the legitimate sphere of Christian

"The embodiment of this legislation in our Book of Discipline exposes the Meth-odist Episcopal Church to a damaging popular aversion. I know of several cases where we have lost the membership of

where we have lost the membership of most excellent young people because they could not make themselves believe that for them certain things were wrong."

The Rev. J. O. Wilson, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, in West Seventy-sixth Street, said: "I think it likely the proposed hange will be approved by the General Conference. It must not be inferred, in that case, however, that the Methodist Church is taking a position in favor of the pastimes it now debars.

"The present list of prohibited amusements says nothing about attending prize-

ments says nothing about attending prize-fights or cockfights, but nobody would in-fer that the church favors those diversions. So far as dancing and theatregoing are concerned, many of our young people in-dulge themselves in those amusements anybow, and there is a growing tendency to resent the fact that our church alone singles out amusements to be put under the ban specifically, which in themselves may be harmless. In a rense this move-ment is one toward greater liberality, it makes each member the judge before his own conscience of what he ought to do in ments says nothing about attending prizeown conscience of what he ought to do in

REFORM IN CHURCH RULES.

Methodists May Drop Prohibiton of Certain Amusements.

CHICAGO, April 12.- The Methodists of Chicago, ministers as well-as laymen are inclined to indorse the action taken by the New York East Conference at Danbury, Conn., looking toward a revision of the rigid rules of the church regarding card playing and theatregoing. The say there is no question but that the General Conference, which will meet at the Auditorium the first week in May, will be asked to strike out that part of the church rules prohibiting such pastimes, and the subject will be one of the topics to be dis-cussed by the Methodist Episcopal preach-ers' meeting on next Monday. The Rev. John P. Brushingham, D. D., of the First thodist Church, said:
"It was John Wesley's rule that no

amusements should be indulged in by members of the Methodist Episcopal Church except they be acceptable in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, leaving the exact interpretation to the conscience of the individual. This was the rale of Methodists until the act of 1872, which stated specifically that certain amuse-ments, such as dancing, card playing, and theatregoing, should be prohibited among members of this church. "I consider the enactment of 1872 a great

"I consider the enactment of 1872 a great mistake. I believe a great many conscientious young people are kept out of the Methodist Church on account of the strict interpretation put upon amusement."

John Farson, of Farson, Leach & Co., an ardent follower of Methodism, believes that some modification of the rules of the church will be made at the General Conference.

"The equal representation of layme ay bring about many reforms," he said

"There is no question that the strict dis-cipline has kept and is driving many young tor, and by the change that item is charged the District.

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9 to 10.

Waterproof Felt Wirdow Shades, in

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Men's Mercerized Silk Half Hose sell Men's Mercerized Sink line in every men's store in this city for 25c a pair, will be sold this hour 110

800 pairs of Men's Suspenders in the biggest assortment—the same yo which sell for 25c for this hour.....

Lot of Ladies' Homespun Skirts in several shades of grey; with the new pleat backs; thoroughly up to \$1.98

This hour we shall put on sale several hundred pairs of Boys' Cheviot Knee Pants, such as sell for 25c 90

500 pairs of Children's fine Ribbed Hose in sizes 5 to 91-2; the very best 25c hose to be had, but they are "sec-onds"—are slightly imperfect. The imperfections, however, de not injure the wearing qualities, hence at 9c a pair they are enormous values.

Beautiful all-oy: laces in cream and white; in the very hand-omest patterns for yokes and sleeves or for whole waists; the same which sell for as much as 75c elsewhere; to 400 . 49c

Infants' long and short slips of good cambric; with very handsome 250 yokes, for this hour

Infants' heavy stitched bibs 50 for this hour to go for...... 50 Cream floating soap will be 210 sold this hour fer, per cake....

Bleached Turkish wash rags, 120

Genuine Scotch unbleached all linen crash; 18 inches wide; the same which sells for 10c a yard 378

Small lot of yard wide bleached mus-lin; in short lengths; such as sell at 6c and 8c a yard to go 278 48 pairs children's tan spring h

shoes; sizes 81-2 to 11, which are bargains at 89c, for this hour 590 36 pairs ladies' tan oxfords, which

10 to 11.

Double width fancy dress goods; in neatest patterns for children's dresses and women's house dresses; instead of 12 1-2c yard; this hour.. 680

14 years, of splendid quality lawn; trimmed with embroidery, for 25°C Lot of ladies' fast black hose; full Lot of ladies last seamless and all sizes; to go this $6\frac{1}{2}$

Children's white aprons; sizes 4 to

heur, per pair No. 11-2 and No. 2 velvet ribbon for this hour, 10 230

yards A.A....

10 to 11.

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700 ladies' heavy percale wrappers; in red, grey, navy, and black, made with separate waist lining; full 49^{C} width skirts; for this hour.....

Lot of ladies' cheviot serge skirts in black and blue; made with the new pleat backs; well lined and \$2.98 bound; instead of \$4.50 for....

800 boys' Merrimac percale shirtwaists; in a great assortment of pat terns; full generously cut; the same as sell for 25c for..... 12±0

Men's fancy border and plain white handkerchiefs, such as sell for 376

Men's Fancy Percale Shirts; both soft and stiff bosom; with attached and detached collars; instead of 410

Boys' Blue Cloth Golf Caps; silk lined; patent clasps; double-stitch- 250 ed, for

Shows in the handsomest patterns, which sell for as much as 35c, 1516 Extra heavy Floor Linoleum in good

18 pairs Little Boys' Tan and Black Will Kid Spring Heel Shoes, sizes 9 to 13 1-2; good values at \$1, 690

24 pairs Misses' Tan and Black Sho

60 pairs Ladies' Tan Vici Lace Shoes; hoice of fancy vesting tops or kid

11 to 12.

Best quality table Oilcloth—5-4 size and colored in best patterns; instead of 20c yard for...122 An immense lot of Men's Neckwear

Little Boys' Galatea Cloth Washable Sailor Blouse Sair; in a variety of patierns; perfectly washable; usually sold for \$5c, this hour, 250

Ladies' Black Taffeta Silk Waists; the taffeta of which is guaranteed and that means a new waist for any that does not wear satisfactoring; with

the new tucked and corded \$3.98 fronts, for..... 2,000 yards of handsome Satin-faced Ribbon in all colors; for hair prettying and trimming, in such shades as pink, blue, red, violet, etc., to go 50 on sale at

11 to 12.

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Ladies' Muslin Drawers; made

Ladies' well-mide muslin gowns; some V and some square necks; trim-med yokes; the same as are usu-

Yard and a quarter wide iron mesh black grenadine, which is already proclaimed the most fashionable fabric for summer; the regular \$1.25 yard 750 sort, for.....

All-silk taffetas, in the most desira ble shades; rich and lustrous and not

Yard-wide black henrietta and mo-

hair; the best raven black, and the quality which sells usually for 30c 250

Bleached muslin sheets, good quality; all hemmed and hand torn and 290 hand ironed; instead of 39c, for,

1 to 2.

White parasof covers in hand patterns: the sort which sell for 170

Pretty Smyrna rugs, in pretty Oriental patterns and colorings; the kind which sell for 69c, for......390

Plain and plaid grey lenos, which sell for 6c and 8c yard—to go this 11

200 novels embracing many of the world of leading story writers of 30 celebrity, to go for......

Ladies' pulley belt of patent 250 and morocco leather, for. Chiffon or Liberty silk ties, two 470

Turn-over collars of lace or em- 100

500 ladies' fine lawn, percale and batiste wrappers, trimmed with deep flounces, lace, and embroideries; full width; separate waist lining; instead of \$1 to \$2 choice this hour 690

Lot of ladies' long, short and medium corsets in grey and white, in all sizes, regular price of which is 50c to 390

stitched or embroidery trimmed, which

Lot of ladies' glace kid gloves, in white and all the leading shades which white and all the leading snauge are so in vogue this spring; fitted at our risk; instead of a dollar a 690

Stock collars in all the new colors and new shapes, for...... 150

2 to 3.

Immense lot of Ladies' Black and Colored Taffeta Silk Waists with the new tucked and hemstitched fronts; the new high stock collars and new cuff; waists such as you cannot dupli-

200 Boys' Cheviot Suits, in sizes 7 several patterns, for this hour, \$1.79

200 Ladies' Trimmed Corset

10 patterns in Ladies' Fancy Colored Hose, and fast blacks, which 1210 are worth 19c pair, this hour ... 1210

Let of Taffeta Silk Ribbons in white and all colors, in No. 40 190 width, for

10-quarter Unbleached Sheet-

21-inch All-silk Black China Silk extra heavy quality and rich and 440 lustrous; instead of 59c, for......440 Boys' Blue Cloth Golf Caps, silk lin ed; patent snap; double-stitch- 25°C

Handsome Mantel Lambrequins, made of art drapery; fringed all 190 around, for

300 extra heavy Yale Holland Win-dow Shades; with heavy fringe and tambour lace in various colors; complete with fixtures, for......

3 to 4.

Yard wide all wool ladies' cloth i all splendidly desirable shades as well as black, instead of 49c for.. 29

Assorted check patterns in 370 Apron Ginghams, yard for..... 38 Infants' long flanne! skirts; 250 with double yoke bands for....

Ladies' handsome black silky blis crepon skirts; exceedingly rich \$8.98 and stylsh; instead of \$12 for...

Ladies' black and colored taffeta silk underskirts; in two styles of flounced in all the new colorings; \$6.98

of boys' cover; and blac che for top coats; with good linings and in sizes to fit boys from 3 to 16 years; a maker's surplus stock, which \$2.98 would bring as much as \$7; for

White applique pillow shams, which White applique parton are worth 35c, to go this hour 1520

200 yards of draperies, embracing

4 to 5.

Infants' good quality Bedford long coats, trimmed with ribbon; \$1.98 with pretty capes, for.....

Lot of ladies' black and blue cheviot Lot of lautes by homespun skirts; serge and grey homespun skirts; which are elegant value at \$4, \$2.79

Lot of ladies' black cheviot serge suits in newest style, for this \$6.98

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ing the Last Three Months Decided increase in work was show

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pital. COAL FAMINE IN GERMANY. The Supply Inadequate and Much

Frankfort, March 8, 1900:

000,000 tons, agalust 96,000,000 tons in 1898 and 91,000,000 in 1897, the supply has been entirely inadequate, and much embarrass-

Stump Found Guilty.

cases.

William Stump, who has since Monday last been on trial in Criminal Court No. 1 for the murder of James Lee, colored, De-cember 12 last, was today found guilty of manslaughter. He was remanded to jail to await sentence.

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200 top coats at \$5.

Two hundred men's tan covert top coats; with good Italian lining; full French faced, and correct in all the points of fashion are to be placed on sale tomorrow morning at \$5. All of them are \$8.50 values; in other words, equal grades cannot be had anywhere for less than \$8.50; the 200 which we put on sale at \$5 each should, in view of this, create the greatest sort of a

300 men's suits at \$10.

Three hundred men's suits in ten different styles of fancy cassimeres and cheviots and Oxford mixtures, will be ready to morrow morning at \$10. These are the same grades and same quality of men's suits which are sold the world over at \$12.50; have good Italian lining and full French facings; are stylish in every way, and guaranteed. Extraordinary values at

If you intend to buy a Prince Albert Coat and Vest for Easter, we would If you intend to buy a Frince Albert Cost and vest for Easter, we would like for you to see these handsome coats of Black Clay Worsted and Oxford Grey Mixtures, Vicunas, and Imported Worsteds at \$12.56 to \$25.

You can have a suit made to your measure here at a saving of a third to a fourth of the money you'll have to pay an exclusive tailor and get just as much satisfaction in fit, style, and worthfulness.

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Special selling boys' Easter clothing.

\$3.98 for \$5.00 Suits.

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\$5.00 for \$7.50 Suits.

Boys' very nobby three-piece Short Pants Suits—fancy silk vest coat, and pants—made of the very best all-wold ma-terials—finished to perfection—all sizes— suits which you cannot duplicate efse-where for less than \$7.50 offered today for ex-

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Exclusively stylish hats need not be expensive; but, neverth less. pensive in many stores. It is folly to pay so much, and you'll realize it after you have visited our millinery department. You need have no apprehension—your hat will be finished in time to wear Easter if promised.

The hundreds of people who naven't the ready money will appreciate the advantages of our "charge" system, by which they can arrange to pay their bill as their income affords. Nothing is exacted for this privilege.

Ladies' and Missee' Trimmed Hats, in the greatest assortment—the season's newest shapes in Turbans, Toques, and large and medium-sized Hats and Bonnets, trimmed most stylishly with flowers, plumes, malines, chiffons, and laces; in this lot are all the new pastel shades, as well as black.

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Neapolitan, and plain and fancy straw,

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A large table full of Ladies' and Misses' Walking and Outing Sailors, of handsome Mackinaw, rough, fancy, and plain straws, in all colors-the very same shapes and the same qualities which are being sold at 98c and 790 31.37 elsewhere, are offered at...

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setting fire to a woods. Several thousand

dollars' damage has already been done to

a tendency to weak lungs, a cold is dangerous. Scott's Emulsion strengthens the lungs and helps

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Death Results From a Kick. EAST BROOKFIELD, Mass., April 12 .-Joseph Raymond, a Frenchman, was arrested charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Adolphus Lemont, a fellow woodchopper. The two became en-gaged in a quarrel and witnesses state that Raymord knocked Lamont down and kicked him in the stomach. Lemont died this morries, as Medical Examiner Nor-wood says, from the effects of the kick.

SPECIFIC FOR KIDNEY OR LIVER DISEASES.

seople out of the church. It is almost as

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Cushing were adopted:

W. H. HOLMES, Secretary District Order Modified.

hair cut pompadour, or to wear toothpick

At a meeting of the employes of the Smithsonian Institution, held yesterday afternoon, the following resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Frank H.

PULP MILL POLLUTION. embers shall amuse themselves as to see a rule compelling men to have their

The Maryland Case Approaching a The "Soo" Line Exacts a Concession settlement. CUMBERLAND, Md., April 12.-The

ommittee of the city council which visited the pulp mill at Tyrone, Pa., to investigate the "soda process" of making pulp, which A Tribute to the Memory of Frank the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Compa-H. Cushing. ny offers as a harmless substitute for the polluting sulphite process, agreeing to give bond to abandon the latter if the city will

mittee says: "The city ought not to commit itself to any condition of future development, and we recommend that no such consent be we recommend that no such consent be given. The company will know exactly what is likely to flow into the stream, and all flow of offal from their works will be entirely at their command and under their tous should have to lay down his pen in the let of researches of so great moment to an opological science. The company will know exactly what is likely to flow into the stream, and all flow of offal from their works will be entirely at their command and under their control. If such offal allowed to get into the stream is harmless and maintained so, as we think it can be, it is very sure that the control is long service in the Smithsonian tirution, as assistant to the Curator of Archicogy in 1875, as charged with the installation of this tog, service in the Smithsonian tirution, as assistant to the Curator of Archicogy in 1875, as charged with the installation of this death.

9.1884, as custodian and coi-oberator in the Namal Museum, and as ethnicogist in the Bureau American Ethnology from 1887 until the motor of the death.

The command that no such consent be given. The company will know exactly what is likely to flow into the stream, and all where more their works will be entirely at their command and under their control. If such offal allowed to get into the stream is harmless and maintained so, as we think it can be, it is very sure that the city will hear no complaint from the city of Cumberland, but, on the other hand, if the process be run at any time so as to produce an objectionable pollution the city should not, and we believe cannot, waive any of its rights."

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abandon litigation, has reported. The com-

in Ethnology from less until the most death.

That a copy of these resolutions be so Cushing, with assurances of our resume at Luke or any other point above resume at Luke or any other point above Cumberland, and the city will postpone all litigation and no new proceedings shall be instituted until after August 1, 1900. If the stipulations are faithfully kept the injunction case shall be dismissed on April 10, 1901, upon payment of costs by defendant company and the city will consent for

its part that the other cases may at the ame time be settled.

The third item c: the city's proposition calls for a signed agreement for reopening the injunction suit in case the defendant fails or neglects to abandon the sulphate The report was adopted. Benjamin A. Richmond, chief counsel for the pulp mill, said he had only one objec-tion, and that was as to the costs in the in-

tion case. He thought the city should

pay the costs incurred after March 19, the

date on which the proposition for a com-promise was submitted, as expenses after promise was submitted, as expenses that time were wholly unnecessary. Shot by a Sheriff. READING, April 12.-Daniel Hamilton, of this city, was notified today of the liant death of his son, Judson Hamilton, at Berkeley Springs, W. Va., having been shot and killed by Sheriff M. S. Harmison, of that place. No particulars were received. The dead man was 21 years of age and had been in West Virgnia only

Slaughter Waives Examination.

William E. Slaughter, a former clerk in the of see of the Paymaster General of the Navy, wh

was arrested some time ago, charged with the lar-ceny of stamp, from the United States Govern-ment, waived preliminary examination when ar-raigned before United States Commissioner S. C. Mills, and was held for the action of the grand jury. The bond of \$2,000 which Slaughter fur-nished after his arrest was allowed to stand.

DEMANDS A DIFFERENTIAL.

in St. Paul-New York Rates. CHICAGO, April 12.—At a conference with the general passenger agents of the Chicago-St. Paul roads the representative of the "Soo" Line, of the Canadian Pacific, made a demand for differential rates to New York via Montreal. He refused to withdraw with the present cut rates urwithdraw with the present cut rates urless given the privilege of making a rate less by \$2 from St. Paul to New York than is made by any of the direct lines of the United States. The western lines flatly refused to grant the "Soo" road's request.

request.

The demand made by the Canadian Pacific's line for differential rates greatly surprised officials of the other roads. Two years ago the Canadian Pacific and its competitors in this country agreed that the Inter-State Commerce Commission should set as arbitrator of the question of should act as arbitrator of the question of the right of the Canadian Pacific to differ-ential passenger rates. The decision of the Commission, acting as a board of ar-bitration, was that the Canadian Pacific was not entitled to any differential rates. was not entitled to any differential rates. For a time the Canadian Pacific made a preferse of abiding by the decision. The Vanderbilt lines have manifested a willingness to join the Western lines in meeting the cut rates of the Canadiar Pacific. The Eastern differential lines, however, object to doing so on the ground they do not want the Lake Shore and Michgan Central, which are the standard lines to be allowed to accept the standard lines, to be allowed to accept

the same proportionate rates as differen Pacific "Soo" line for differentials may induce the differential lines to extend the assistance asked by the Chicago-St. Paul roads to compete with the "Soo" line. The question will be decided at a conference to be held this afternoon.

A GLORIOUS EYE FEAST.

The Adam Forepaugh and Sells Bros.

Bearing in mind that all tented shows are bound to make the best possible public appearance as their eniminating and most effective advertisement, and that, therefore, what is shown for nothing is a pretty reliable indication of the quantity and quality of that which you pay to see, the real magnitude and resources of the Great Adam Forepaugh and Selis Brothers America's Greatest Shows consolidated, may be fairly estimated by the size and elegance of their united parades. Hitherto the purple of cither shown named has been an extentionally big and brilliant one; wherefore it may be reasonably anticipated that all combined, and with many rare and costly features added, they will prove what Young America would term a "stunner." The amount of capital, the number of rare wild bears in open and performing dens; of the finest and most richly caparisoned hyses, and the superbness and glorious variety of spectacular effects is almost fabulous.

The commission appointed by the Minister of Public Works to report concerning the repeal of the exceptional tariff on coal has agreed that there can be no question of making concessions for the importations of foreign coal generally, but that it is advisable to make exceptions in individual United Circus Parades.

10 cents and 25 cents, at all drug stores.

CASUALTY HOSPITAL REPORT.

Work Done at the Institution Dur-At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Casualty Hospital, held Tuesday evening, at that institution, the regular quarterly report for the hospital was submitted and approved. The followag directors were present: Thomas W. Smith, president; Henry K. Simpson, secretary; George F. Harban, treasurer J. W. Babson, M. I. Weller, Tracy L. Jeffords, Dr. William B. French, Dr. L. K. Beatty, Dr. D. O. Leetch, and Dr. L. P. Pond. Decided increase in work was shown in the report. One hundred and seventy five cases were treated in the casualty branch of the hospital while a total of 149 opera-tions were performed during the quarter Twenty-six patients were admitted under the emergency rules of the hospital and from previous quarter a total of 555 cases.

In the dispensary branch of the hospital 336 new cases were treated during the past three months. Applications for treatment at the institution were received from 434 persons under this branch of the from 404 persons under this branch of the service, and 156 cases were referred to other hospitals or to regular physicians. Concluding, the report states that a total of 922 cases, in which previous treatment had been rendere?, were registered during the quarter, and prescriptions to the ber of 1,752 were compounded at the

Annoyance Results. Consul General Guenther writes from "There has never been a year in the hisory of Germany when greater demands had been made upon the coal production Although the output of 1899 was over 100.

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